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## CCS-UNet: a cross-channel spatial attention model for accurate retinal vessel segmentation: supplement

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Table S1. List of Variables.

Symbol	Definition
F	Input feature map of the CCS module
$F_{mid}$	Feature map responsible for encoding horizontal and vertical spatial information
$F^H$	Spatial feature encoding along the vertical direction
$F^W$	Spatial feature encoding along the horizontal direction
$F_C$	The output feature map of the first branch of the CCS module
$F_S$	The output feature map of the second branch of the CCS module
$F_{out}$	The final output feature map of the CCS module
F(i,j)	i, j are the indexes of height and width in the input feature map $F$ respectively
$F_C(i,j)$	i, j are the indexes of height and width in the output feature map of the first branch of the CCS module
$F_S^{MP}$	The feature code obtained from the input feature map $F$ after maximum pooling in the channel direction
$F_S^{AP}$	The feature code obtained from the input feature map $F$ after averaging pooling in the channel direction
$G^{H}$	Attention weighting map along the vertical direction
$G^W$	Attention weighting map along the horizontal direction
$Z^H$	Coding feature map for aggregating features along the vertical direction
$Z^W$	Coding feature map for aggregating features along the horizontal direction
$Z_c^H(h)$	The mathematical representation $\mathbb{Z}^H$ of of the $c$ -th channel at a given height $h$
$Z_c^W(w)$	The mathematical representation $\mathbb{Z}^{W}$ of of the $c$ -th channel at a given width $w$
$X_c(h,i)$	Denotes the row vector of input features on a given channel $c$ and height $h$
$X_c(j,w)$	Denotes the column vector of input features on a given channel $\boldsymbol{c}$ and width $\boldsymbol{w}$
$M_S(\cdot)$	Operations used to obtain attention weight maps for cross-channel information